**BUCS CANOE SLALOM 2024-25 BID INFORMATION**

**STATUS**

Annually, the Canoe programme within BUCS consists of four separate events

* Polo
* Slalom
* Sprint
* Wild Water Racing

Canoe Slalom is a truly dynamic sport that sees its athletes take on some of nature’s most challenging white water. The athletes are in amongst the elements as they battle through challenging rapids, demonstrating immense skill and physical strength to achieve victory.

The events attract a wide range of competitors. Athletes competing for podium positions are of a high calibre, with many on GB performance pathways. There is a long tradition of success in the Canoe Slalom producing medals both at World Championships & Olympics.

In addition, with an increased focus from BUCS to ensure our competitive programme is inclusive to all, it is imperative that our chosen partner provides a competition opportunity that is appropriate and enjoyable for all, taking into consideration the infrastructure for people with a disability.

BUCS is seeking partners to manage and deliver the BUCS Canoe Slalom event. This tender is for the 2024-25 season, with an option to renew the partnership upon review.

A preferred hosting window for the event has been outlined below. The dates must be compatible with the academic year and the other events within the programme. NB. BUCS Events are typically held on weekends.

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| **Championship** | **Preferred Dates** |
| Canoe Slalom | 29 January – 17 April 2025 |

**FORMAT**

The event must follow and include the disciplines detailed below:

* Slalom Championships – K1M / K1W / C1M / C1W / C2 / Open & Mixed Team

**Event Organisers are expected to:**

* Deliver a fair and safe event in line with BUCS Rules & Regulations and British Canoeing Competition Rules
* Offer an entry fee that represents value for money for students
* Consider an appropriate geographical location of the event for BUCS members
* Have the capacity to host the number of competitors detailed below

For more information on the host venue responsibilities, including specific facility requirements, please refer to the Bid Questionnaire.

**Successful bids will receive the following from BUCS:**

* A dedicated BUCS staff member who acts as a key contact for the Championships
* An online entry system for the Championships (BUCS Play)
* Media & Marketing:
  + Pre & Post Event Email to competitors
  + Promotion of the event to Institutions via email marketing
  + Promotion of the event on BUCS social media channels
* Event Branding, including barrier scrim and flags
* Championship medals for Top 3 Individual Males & Females, and Top 3 Male & Female Teams

**COMPETITOR NUMBERS**

To give an indication to Event Organisers of the number of competitors expected at the events, the entry numbers from the previous season are outlined below:

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|  | **2023-24** |
| Slalom Championships | 150 ind  44 teams |

**ENTRY FEES**

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|  | **2023-24** |
| Slalom Championships | Indiv – £29.50  Team – £35 |

**TIMETABLE**

**Canoe Slalom Bid Questionnaires are now available to complete.**

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| 17 June 2024 | Canoe Slalom Bid Questionnaire available to complete |
| 29 July 2024 | Canoe Slalom Deadline for submission of Bid Questionnaire |
| Mid-August 2024 | Canoe Slalom Host venue announced |

**CONTACT**

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